

REMARKS

The Applicants appreciate the Examiner's thorough examination of the subject application. Applicants request reconsideration of the subject application based on the following remarks.

Claims 14 – 16, 19 and 47 - 51 are currently pending in the application. Claims 14 – 16, 19 and 47 have been canceled without prejudice. Claims 48 thru 51 have been amended.

Support for the amendments to the claims can be found throughout the application as filed. No new matter has been added by the amendments to the specification or the claims.

Claims 14-16, 19 and 47 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as containing subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the art that the inventor(s), at the time the application was filed, had possession of the claimed invention.

Applicants have canceled claims 14-16, 19 and 47, and consequently, the rejection has been mooted.

Claims 14-16, 19 and 47 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, because the specification does not enable any person skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and use the invention commensurate in scope with these claims.

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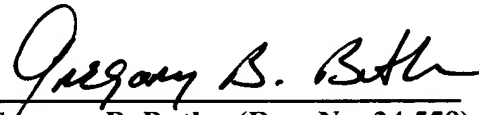
In accordance with the Examiner's suggestion, Claims 48-51 have been amended to become independent claims , including all of the limitations of the claims from which they claimed dependency.

In summary, reconsideration of this application and the allowance of Claims 48-51 of this application as hereinabove amended in response to this communication are respectfully requested for the reasons stated above.

Finally, Applicants believe that additional fees are not required in connection with the consideration of this response to the currently outstanding Official Action. However, if for any reason a fee is required, a fee paid is inadequate or credit is owed for any excess fee paid, you are hereby authorized and requested to charge and/or credit Deposit Account No. 04-1105, as necessary, for the correct payment of all fees which may be due in connection with the filing and consideration of this communication.

Respectfully submitted,

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